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SUBJ: TRAVEL OF FORMER VICE-PRES ROCKEFELLER AND MRS ROCKEFELLER

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1. DEPT AT ITS DISCRETION, MAY WISH SHARE FOLLOWING BACKGROUND
INFO WITH GOV ROCKEFELLER:

THE TEHRAN MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART OPENS OCT 13TH, THE EVE
OF THE BIRTHDAY OF THE QUEEN, WHOSE OFFICE IS SPONSOR OF THE PRO-
JECT. SHAH AND QUEEN EXPECTED PRESIDE AT OPENING, WITH AUDIENCE OF
OVER 100 SENIOR GOVT OFFICIALS, CHIEFS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS,
MUSEUM PEOPLE AND ART CRITICS FROM MAJOR AMERICAN AND EUR-
OPEAN MEDIA. CURATOR OF MUSEUM IS DAVID GALLOWAY, AN AMERICAN
WHO HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY PROGRAMMED BY POST. PRINCIPAL ELEMENTS
OF THE MUSEUM'S COLLECTION ARE: CONTEMPORARY IRANIAN, ORIGINS OF
MODERNISM, ABSTRACTIONIST, IRANIAN POSTER ART, AMERICAN AND EUR-
OPEAN PHOTOGRAPHY, SHARP FOCUS REALISM, GRAPHICS, TWO IRANIAN
ARCHITECTURE EXHIBITS.

2. GALLOWAY FEELS AMERICA ADEQUATELY REPRESENTED IN ABSTRACT
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AND GRAPHICS COLLECTIONS, AND IN PHOTOGRAPHY, BUTNOT SUFFICIENTLY
WELL IN ART OF THE 1960 AND 70S. NO MAJOR ARTIST ON LEVEL OF
FRANK STELLA, JASPER JOHNS OR THE POP ARTISTS. GALLOWAY
FURTHER STATES, AND GERMAN CULTURAL ATTACHE CONFIRMS, THE BERCH-
TOLD BEITZ, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF KRUPP, IN WHICH IRAN OWNS SUB-
STATNTIAL INTEREST, IS PLANNING MAKE GIFT TO QUEEN OF A WORK BY
IMPORTANT CONTEMPORARY GERMAN ARTIST PROF GRAUPNER, OF CIRO

GROUP.

3. QUEEN'S OFFICE PROMISES DETAILED SCHEDULE IN TWO DAYS. NEED
GOVERNOR'S DEPARATE. REFTEL STATES 18TH; QUEEN'S OFFICE
THINKS 17TH.
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